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cent of the party dues could be collected, a fact which is also contributable to the infringements of the Tito group. It is of course understood that this situation exists only in the bilingual districts. In the other districts the party has lost none of its **strength** although it has not made major progress either. We lack trained functionaries. We have either lost them in the fight against the Tito group or they have become inactive. The Austrian Socialist Party is making all possible efforts to maintain its position in the factories. In the Bleiberg plants we could win a sizable number of votes, also in some factories in Villach the Unity List obtained the majority, while the Socialists lost votes. We cannot wage an open fight against the Socialists in the factories because we want to form a united front with them in our campaign against the mercenaries of capitalism, the Association of Independents and the Austrian People's Party, even though we must admit that in some factories in Upper Carinthia the Socialists together with the Association of Independents fought against the Communist functionaries. Financially the party organization showed a profit in March, whereas the publishing firm of the party suffered a deficit. A separate report on this situation will be submitted. Protective squads have been organized only in St. Veit, Klagenfurt and Villach because we are short of functionaries and do not want to neglect the party activities proper. The members of the Provincial Executive Board are convinced that in spite of all the treacherous machinations of some former party members the Communist Party will soon regain its old efficiency."

(s) Katzianka

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